



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

SAITO, et al

Group Art Unit: 1645

Serial No.: 09/147,052

Examiner: Jana A. Hines

Filed: September 25, 1998

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 1182

For: NOVEL FUSION PROTEIN, GENE THEREOF, RECOMBINANT VECTOR BEARING THE GENE AND RECOMBINANT VIRUS AS WELL AS USE THEREOF

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Date: August 7, 2006

Sir:

Applicants petition the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated April 6, 2006, for one month from July 6, 2006 to August 6, 2006.

Attached please find a check in the amount of \$120.00, to cover the cost of the extension for a large entity. In the event that any additional fees are due in connection with this paper, please charge our Deposit Account No. 01-2340.

Respectfully submitted,

ARMSTRONG, KRATZ, QUINTOS, HANSON & BROOKS, LLP



Donald W. Hanson  
Attorney for Applicants  
Reg. No. 27,133

Atty. Docket No. 981167  
Suite 1000, 1725 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20006  
(202) 659-2930  
DWH/nk



23850

PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

08/08/2006 JADD01 00000002 09147052

02 FC:1251

120.00 0P